1992-93 में 30.28% और वर्ष 1993-94 में 23.66% थी।

(ग) और (घ) जी हां। फल और सब्जी प्रसंस्करण उद्योग के लिए वर्ष 1993-94 में कुल स्थापित क्षमता 12.60 लाख टन होने का अनुमान है।

(ङ) और (च) स्थापित क्षमता के पूर्ण उपयोग के लिए फल और सब्जी की अनुमानित मात्रा 25.20 लाख टन है। फल और सब्जी का उपयोग करीब 11.80 लाख टन है।

(छ) स्थापित क्षमता के कम उपयोग का मुख्य कारण फल और सब्जियों की मौसमी उपलब्धता, प्रसंस्कृत फलों और सब्जी उत्पादनों के लिए घरेलू मांग की कमी और पैकेजिंग की ऊंची लागत है।

Fruit pulp in beverages

2886. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that lesser quantities of fruit pulp is being used in beverage which are produced under licence;

(b) whether Government have made any study of the surplus fruit available in tha country;

(e) how does Government propose to increase, the utilisation of fruit and fruit pulp in the country;

(d) whether Government are aware that a large number of fruit pulp producing units are working under-capacity; and

(e) what steps are being proposed to increase use of fruit in beverages and other processed food items?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No Specific study has been made in this regard.

(c) to (e) The capacity utilisation of fruit and fruit pulp processing unit which is normally assessed on the basis of 300 working days in a year, depends upon the availability of raw-materials. Unless the equipment installed is capable of handling and pulping different types of fruits that are available in different seasons, the capacity utilisation is expected to be low. With a view to encourage processing of more of fruits, the Government have declared fruits and vegetable processing industry as a high priority area and have allowed automatic approval for technology agreements, foreign equity investments, and have provided fiscal reliefs on capital goods for this industry. To encourage utilisation of fruits and pulps., the Government have provided excise duty exemption on all fruit and vegetable products including those of pulps and fruit pulp beverages. The Government is also implementing a number of plan schemes for promoting processing of fruits and vegetables.

Production of traditional non-carbonated drinks

2887. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any effort to encourage the production of traditional, non-carbonated drinks;

(b) if so, details of encouragement given to the producers of traditional Indian beverages;

(c) whether any subsidy is available for such producers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Office of the Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries, through its field institutes encourages the development of agro-based food

processing industries in small scale sector which includes traditional non-carbonated drinks.

(b) Studies of the existing units are carried out by the Office of D.C. (SSI) to increase the production and induction of modern technology. Financial assistance under soft rate of interest from Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) and other nationalised banks is also available for modernising their equipment to increase the production of traditional Indian beverages. Financial assistance from APEDA to such exporters is available as is normally available to other exporters of processed foods.

(c) No subsidy is available to such producers.

(d) Does not arise.

Rapid rail refrigerated transport facility

2888. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has not made any progress in developing rapid rail refrigerated transport facility for moving marine products from coastal Andhra to North India;

(b) if so, the details of any successful steps achieved in the matter of moving marine products like fish by refrigerated transport;

(c) whether Government has spent any money on this sector; and

(d) if not, how does Government propose to encourage movement of processed and preserved foods from production centres to the market in different parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) Adequate arrangements are already available for transportation of marine products and other processed and preserved foods through the luggage van services of mail/ express and superfast trains, from production areas to consumption centres. Provision of rapid rail refrigerated transport facility for such items was no; found to be popular due to the high cost of service.

(c) As far as transportation of fishery products in concerned, the Government has released an amount of Rs. 232.55 lakhs, in 1993-94 to organisations in different States for development of Cold Chain for fishery products.

(d) Does not arise.

प्रसंस्कृत किए जाने वाले फलों और सब्जियों का प्रतिशत

2889. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह:**
श्री आस मोहम्मद:

क्या खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में फलों और सब्जियों के कुल उत्पादन के कितने प्रतिशत हिस्से का प्रसंस्करण किया जाता है;

(ख) इस संबंध में राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) सरकार ने फलों और सब्जियों के प्रसंस्करण की प्रतिशतता बढ़ाने के लिए गत वर्षों के दौरान क्या प्रयास किए हैं?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री तरूण गोगोई): (क) यह करीब 1.1% है।

(ख) कुल प्रसंस्कृत फल और सब्जी उत्पादों में से प्रसंस्कृत फल तथा सब्जियों का राज्य-वार प्रतिशत इस प्रकार है:

आन्ध्र प्रदेश	12.88
अरुणाचल प्रदेश	0.02
असम	0.05
बिहार	0.68
गोवा	0.18
गुजरात	7.66
हरियाणा	2.89
हिमाचल प्रदेश	1.33
जम्मू एवं कश्मीर	0.89
कर्नाटक	9.02